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I oppose the Governor's SB # 16. My name is Cornell Lewis  
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After reading the document known as SB #16 several passages caught my attention. The bill is suppose to address juvenile crime and gun violence in Connecticut. However hidden within the legislation are words seeking to limit the right of activists [with gun permits] to legally assemble with their guns at rallies, sit-ins, vigils, demonstrations. I am the founder of Self Defense Brigade and organized legal armed security, peaceful rallies, the last 3 years. These security forces have reduced attacks and other racially motivated abuses by counter protesters. In three years legally armed SDB security forces have not fired one shot, or threatened anyone, during rallies. It is my opinion that Governor Ned Lamont and the Democratic Party are seeking to disarm activists like myself, leaving us at the mercy of white extremists , Nazis, White Supremacy and police misconduct.

Cornell Lewis